

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: BENC, EMIN, GR  
SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: HELLENIC STEEL DIRECT REDUCTION PLANT

REF: A. STATE 008899. B. 76 ATHENS A-185

1. HELLENIC STEEL OFFICIALS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT, AT THIS PRELIMINARY STAGE, COMPANY IS STILL EXAMINING ECONOMIC VIABILITY OF PROJECT IN CONJUNCTION WITH COST OF LIGNITE, WHICH IS SOLE LOCALLY AVAILABLE FUEL. HELLENIC IS CONSIDERING METHOD IN WHICH LIGNITE WOULD NOT BE GASIFIED BUT INTRODUCED INTO THE SYSTEM DIRECTLY IN SOLID FORM. TESTS ON LIGNITE ARE IN PROGRESS TO DETERMINE IF IT HAS REQUIRED PROPERTIES FOR THIS METHOD. RESULTS ARE NOT AVAILABLE. SAME SOURCES STATES THAT HELLENIC IS OPEN TO PROPOSAL FOR MORE ECONOMICAL METHOD, AND SUGGESTED AUTHUR G. MC KEE CONTACT T. YOSHIDA, PRESIDENT, HELLENIC STEEL COMPANY, INC., 1 MITROPOLEOS STREET, ATHENS 118. WHILE THEY SPECULATED THAT FIOR WOULD BE LESS ECONOMIC BECAUSE OF GASIFICATION COSTS THAN METHOD BASED ON SOLID FORM LIGNITE, THEY DID NOT PRECLUDE FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

2. PROJECT IS NOT YET APPROVED BY GREEK GOVERNMENT.  
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## Message Attributes

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